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PUBLIC HEALTH REPORTS.

UNITED STATES.

[Reports to the Surgeon-General Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service.]

Ordinance of the city and county of San Francisco respecting varicella.

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., July 9, 1902.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith an ordinance of the city and county of San Francisco respecting varicella.

Respectfully,

M. J. WHITE,
Assistant Surgeon, In Command.

[Inclosure—Bill No. 647—Ordinance No. 515.]

An ordinance requiring the reporting of varicella to the health officer:

Whereas, experience demonstrates that varioloid is frequently mistaken for varicella and many lives thereby imperiled, therefore, be it ordained by the people of the city and county of San Francisco, as follows:

Section 1. Every physician practicing in this city and county shall report in writing to the health officer every case of varicella or chicken pox of which he may have professional knowledge within twenty-four hours after he shall be satisfied of the nature of the disease.

Sec. 2. Any person violating the above provision shall upon conviction thereof be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine not exceeding \$500 or imprisonment in the county jail for not more than six month, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

In board of supervisors, San Francisco, June 23, 1902.

After having been published five successive days, according to law, taken up and passed by the following vote:

Ayes.—Supervisors Alpers, Bent, Booth, Brandenstein, Brauhart, Connor, Curtis, D'Ancona, Eggers, Loughery, Payot, Wynn.

Absent.—Supervisors Boston, Comte, Lynch, McClellan, Sanderson, Wilson.

CHAS. W. FAY,
Clerk.

Approved, San Francisco, June 30, 1902.

E. E. SCHMITZ,

Mayor and ex officio President of the Board of Supervisors.

Smallpox at Palmetto and Live Oak, Manatee County, Fla.

TAMPA BAY QUARANTINE,

Mullet Key, Fla., July 11, 1902.

SIR: I have the honor to state that I was informed to day by State Health Officer Porter that 2 new cases of smallpox had been reported to him from Manatee County—1 at Palmetto and 1 at Live Oak. The last case at Palmetto was contracted from the case I reported June 5, he being an inmate of the same house and one of those quarantined when the case was diagnosed. In this connection I am reminded that the physician in charge had the two family cats killed to prevent contagion being conveyed by means of their wanderings.

Respectfully,

CLAUDE C. PIERCE,
Assistant Surgeon.